

Homegoing Celebration
For
Mrs. Hattie Mason Thomas

Sunrise
July 1, 1902



Sunset
April 18, 2002

Quiet Hour April 24, 2002
Thompson Funeral Home, Oakland, California

Funeral Services, April 27, 2002
Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. John F. Foster, Pastor
804 North Logan Avenue Bryan, Texas



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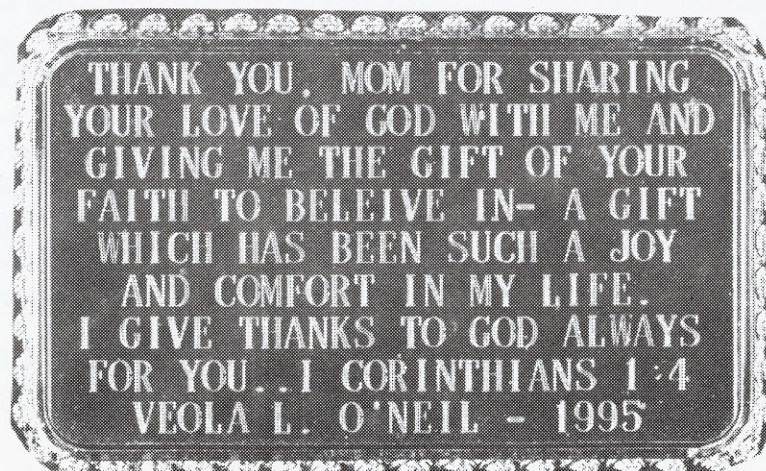
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Picture #1 shows Mrs. Thomas as a young woman. Picture #2 shows Mr. & Mrs. Thomas at their 50th wedding anniversary celebration. Finally, #3 their three surviving children - Robert, Veola and James.



MOTHER

*She is honored with the dignity of an African queen.
She passed on the powerful legacy of our history in everything she did.
On this day we celebrate her beauty, her passion
And the wonderful mother she was.*



Remembering a Unique Woman



Obituary

Mrs. Hattie Mason Thomas was born July 1, 1902 to Nancy and Eddy Mason in Bolson County Texas. She was married to Mr. James Thomas, Sr. with whom she shared over 50 years of marriage; Four children were born of this union. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were both active in Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. As Christian parents, they took pride in seeing their children follow their examples.

Mrs. Thomas made a positive impact on the youth of the community through her many years as overseer of the Starlight Band. She became known for her dedicated community service and charitable endeavors. As a member of the NAACP, she devoted many hours promoting equal opportunity for Blacks and

improved racial relationships.

Throughout Mrs. Thomas' life she used her talents to promote religious education in local, state and national Sunday School Congress and the National Baptist Convention.

Mrs. Thomas celebrated her 96th birthday in 1998 at Allen Temple Arms where she was a resident. At her birthday celebration she was presented a plaque from her pastor, Rev. J. Alfred Smith of Allen Temple Baptist Church. She was also presented with a Resolution of Congratulations from her former church, Galilee Missionary Baptist Church.

Mrs. Thomas was a sweet Christian woman, loved by all that knew her. She is survived by her three children: Robert L. Thomas (wife, Lula), Veola O'Neil, and James Thomas all of the San Francisco Bay Area. Ten Grandchildren: Phyllis M. Blake, James Thomas III, Laverne Thomas, Othello Thomas, Deniece Blanco, Madeline Thomas, Triston Thomas, Emmitt L. "Kip" O'Neil, Pamela O'Neil Collins and Harold Thomas. Nineteen great-grandchildren, Six great-great grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Order of Service
For
Mrs. Hattie Mason Thomas

Pastor John F. Foster, Sr. Officiating

Organ Consolations ----- Mrs. Obie Sheets

Processional of Clergy, Family and Friends

Musical Selection ----- Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* ----- Choir & Congregation

Scripture Reading ----- 23rd Psalms ----- Rev. John F. Foster
Pastoral Prayer

Solo ----- I'll Fly Away ----- Mr. Gerald Carter

Expressions ----- (Two (2) minutes, please)
Video: Featuring Sister Hattie Mason Thomas

Musical Selection-----What A Friend We Have In Jesus* ----- Choir & Congregation

Words of Victory ----- Rev. John F. Foster

Musical Interlude ----- Mrs. Obie Sheets

A Glimpse Til' Glory ----- People's Funeral Home

Benediction ----- Rev. John F. Foster

Song ----- In The Sweet By and By* ----- Choir & Congregation

Recessional of Clergy, Family and Friends

*Songs as requested by Mrs. Hattie M. Thomas

Acknowledgments

The family of Mrs. Hattie Mason Thomas wishes to express their sincere gratitude for
each act of kindness shown during this time. Please continue to pray for our family.

May God bless each of you.

The Family

A Wonderful Grandmother!



Blessed is the Grandmother who proudly gives her strength, her time, and her wisdom to the following generations. Blessed is the Grandmother who passes on the power of her love - the greatest gift of all.

A Deserving Tribute



As a resident of Allen Temple Arms, Mrs. Thomas participated in the varied activities and enjoyed the friendship of many seniors. Here, she is presented with an award by Rev. J. Alfred Smith, pastor of the Allen Temple Baptist Church. This was also the location of her 96th Birthday party.

Pallbearers

Richard Blake
Justin Blake
DeWayne Harris
James Thomas II
James Thomas III
Robert Thomas

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of Galilee Missionary Baptist Church
Bryan, Texas

